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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment in the present RCE is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed May 23, 2002. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following arguments.

IN THE CLAIMS:

~~Please cancel Claims 2 and 10 without prejudice.~~

Please amend Claims 1 and 9 as follows:

B1 ~~1. (Twice Amended) A composition for inhibiting inducible COX-2 activity, comprising a pharmaceutical grade CO<sub>2</sub> extract of hops and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier;~~

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